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TO FILE MISSING PARTS
OF APPLICATION

Sir:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees due in connection with the papers transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to

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Respectfully submitted,



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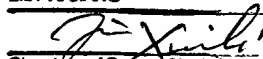
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

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